

NEWS RELEASE

**USDA Forest Service
Caribou-Targhee National Forest
1405 Hollipark Drive
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CHRISTMAS TREE PERMITS FOR CARIBOU-TARGHEE NATIONAL FOREST TO GO ON SALE!

For those of you who enjoy the tradition of cutting your own Christmas tree, the time has come to purchase Christmas tree permits from one of the Ranger Districts located within the Caribou-Targhee National Forest, Visitor Center in Idaho Falls and St. Anthony, and the St. Anthony Forest Service Supervisor Office. Beginning November 15th some districts will begin selling permits. Each District will have instructions and maps available when you purchase your permit

DUBOIS RANGER DISTRICT - 225 West Main Street Dubois, Idaho 208-374-5422. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Start selling Christmas tree tags the week of November 22nd. Office will be open Saturdays and Sundays starting November 27th through the 19th of December. Hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

ISLAND PARK RANGER DISTRICT - Hwy. 20 Island Park, Idaho 208-558-7301. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Start selling Christmas tree tags November 15th. Open Saturday November 27th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

ASHTON RANGER DISTRICT - 46 Hwy 20 Ashton, Idaho 208-652-7442. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Closed on Saturdays. Start selling Christmas tree tags November 15th.

TETON-BASIN RANGER DISTRICT - 515 South Main, Driggs, Idaho 208-354-2431. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Start Selling Christmas tree tags November 15th. Open Saturdays starting November 27th. Hours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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MONTPELIER RANGER DISTRICT - 322 N. 4th, Montpelier, Idaho 208-847-0375.
Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Start selling Christmas tree tags
November 3rd.

SODA SPRINGS RANGER DISTRICT - 310 East Hooper Avenue, Soda Springs,
Idaho. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Start selling tree tags now.
Open Saturdays November 20th, 27th and December 4th. Open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WESTSIDE RANGER DISTRICT (MALAD) - Malad will not be selling tree tags for
the Forest Service. The BLM does sell them here and allows cutting on the BLM ground
in the Malad area. The BLM will start selling tags November 15th.

WESTSIDE RANGER DISTRICT (POCATELLO) – Pocatello will not be selling
tree tags for the Forest Service.

PALISADES RANGER DISTRICT - 3659 East Ririe Hwy. Idaho Falls, Idaho 208-
354-2431. Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday closed on Saturdays. Start
selling Christmas tree tags November 15th.

EASTERN IDAHO VISITOR CENTER – 630 West Broadway, Idaho Falls, Idaho
208-523-3278 Hours: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Open Saturday
November 27th, December 4th, 11th and 18th. Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Start selling
November 15th to December 24th, while supplies last.

ST. ANTHONY OFFICE – 499 North 2400 East, St. Anthony, Idaho 208-624-3151
Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Other vendors who will be selling Christmas tree permits for the Caribou-Targhee
National Forest:

Dave's Jubilee – 108 South Hwy 20, Ashton, Idaho 208-652-7771. Open seven days a
week.

Lenz Electronics – 521 Main, Ashton, Idaho 208-652-7420. Open Monday through
Saturday.

Elk Creek Service Station – 2 miles north of Island Park Ranger Station Hwy. 20
Hours: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. 208-558-7571. Open Thanksgiving Day until 2 p.m.

Rainey Creek Service Station – 2997 Swan Valley Hwy. Swan Valley, Idaho 208-483-
2151 Hours: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.
Start selling November 15th to December 24th, while supplies last.

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Bob's True Value – Preston, Idaho 208-852-2627 Start selling November 12th.

All Seasons Sport – 160 W. Main Street, Rexburg, Idaho 208-356-9245. Open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Start selling November 15th to December 24th, while supplies last.

The Dam Store – Palisades, Idaho, 208-483-2531. Open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Start selling November 15th to December 24th, while supplies last.

Alpine Visitor Information Center – Alpine Civic Center in Alpine, Wyoming, 307-654-8800. Open Thursday through Monday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Start selling November 15th to December 24th, while supplies last.

All permits are \$5.00 each up to 12 feet, then .50 cents for each additional foot with a limit of one per family. Harvesting is not allowed within campgrounds, developed sites or special use permit areas such as ski areas or scout camps, or summer home areas. The Forest Service would like to encourage Christmas tree harvesting in areas where it would be beneficial to the remaining vegetation. Avoid riparian areas, which are sensitive and difficult to replant.

For more information contact one of the Ranger District Offices listed above.